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1. JACK REITER VICE PRESIDENT WORLD AIRWAYS ASKED FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE SENT TO BAMAKO FOR PICK-UP BY WORLD AIRWAYS REPRESENTATIVE BERTIL FALOT WHO WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO DELIVER MESSAGE PERSONALLY TO PRESIDENT TRAORE.

2. QUOTE: 28 MAY 1975 HIS EXCELLENCY COL MOUSSA TRAORE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALI BAMAKO, MALI

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

WORLD AIRWAYS HAS TODAY DISPATCHED A LETTER TO MINISTER SEKOU SANGARE WITH A COPY TO YOU, SETTING FORTH THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH WORLD AIRWAYS IS DISPOSED TO DEFER PAYMENT FOR A PORTION OF THE COST OF OVERHAUL AND MODIFICATION WORK CURRENTLY UNDERWAY HERE AT OAKLAND ON THE AIR MALI BOEING 727.

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THE PROPOSAL RESULTS FROM EXCELLENT MEETINGS WHICH TOOK PLACE HERE LAST WEEK BETWEEN MR. MOUSSA TRAORE, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF AIR MALI, MR. ALLESANE DEMBELE, CHIEF OF CABINET OF THE MINISTRY OF STATE OWNED ENTERPRISES, OTHER REPRE-SENTATIVES OF AIR MALI, MYSELF, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF WORLD. YOUR REPRESENTATIVES DESCRIBED THE CURRENT BUDGE-TARY PROBLEMS CONFRONTING AIR MALI, THE MINISTRY OF STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES, AND THE NATIONAL TREASURY, AND EXPLAINED THE BURDEN THAT WOULD BE PLACED UPON THOSE ENTITIES IF THE FULL BALANCE OWING FOR THE OVERHAUL AND MODIFICATIONS WERE REOUIRED TO BE PAID ON 5 JUNE. THE DATE THE AIRCRAFT IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART OAKLAND FOR RETURN TO MALI. ALTHOUGH IT IS CUSTOMARY FOR MAJOR OVERHAUL AND MODIFICATION WORK TO BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE AN AIRCRAFT DEPARTS A MAINTENANCE BASE, BECAUSE OF THE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES IN THIS CASE AND THE LONG-STANDING RELATIONSHIP AND COOPERATION WITH YOURSELF, AIR MALI, AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANI-ZATIONS IN MALI, I HAVE AGREED TO THE DEFERRED PAYMENT ARRANGEMENT SET FORTH IN THE LETTER TO MINISTER SANGARE. PROVIDED I WILL HAVE RECEIVED A COMMUNICATION FROM YOU ASSURING ME THAT THE DEFERRED PAYMENTS WILL BE PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TIME SCHEDULE AGREED.

I WILL NEED TO HAVE SUCH A MESSAGE FROM YOU NO LATER THAN JUNE 5 IN ORDER THAT THE AIRCRAFT CAN DEPART ON SCHEDULE FROM OAKLAND.

I LOOK FORWARD WITH GREAT PLEASURE TO MEETING WITH YOU PERSONALLY IN THE NEAR FUTURE IN THE UNITED STATES OR MALI, HOPEFULLY, IN BOTH PLACES.

WITH VERY BEST PERSONAL REGARDS SINCERELY.

EDWARD J. DALY
PRESIDENT AND
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
WORLD AIRWAYS, INC
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA UNQUOTE. INGERSOLL

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